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## Free Named

Col. Richard H. Free, recently nominated by President Johnson for promotion to brigadier general, will succeed Gen. C. H. Dunn as Southwestern Division Army engineer in Dallas, officials announced Tuesday.

Gen. Dunn, division engineer since 1962, will become deputy chief of staff of the 8th U.S. Army in Korea.

Dallas officials expect the new chief to arrive here in July.

Col. Free, 50, a 1943 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, has served with an engineer combat battalion in the European Theater, the Manhattan Atomic Project, a Central Intelligence Agency group in Washington, a special weapons project in Albuquerque, N.M.; and in 1952-1955 was stationed in Japan.

The Southwestern Division supervises Army and Air Force construction in five states and is now constructing facilities for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Houston.

In Washington, Sen. A. (Mike) Monroney of Oklahoma issued a statement welcoming Col. Free "to the Arkansas and Red River valleys of Oklahoma."

He said, "From the posts you have held, I am confident you are ably fitted to carry on the tradition" of the office.

Free is now district engineer at Norfolk, Va. He is a native of Davennort Joya

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and a 1940 graduate of the United ter he was assigned to the Man-States Military Academy at West hattan Engineer District, serving Point, Col. Free will be in charge in Washington and with Joint Task of the division which supervises Force No. 1, Kwajalein Atoll. construction for the Army and Air Force in five states.

With district offices at Fort Worth, Galveston, Tulsa, Little! Col. Free, who has been dis-Rock and Albuquerque, the Southprograms covering portions of eight Southwestern states.

Col. Free served in the European theater as commanding oficer of the 101st Engineer Com-A native of Davenport, Iowa, but Battalion in World War II. La-

After serving withmulancontral Intelligence Group at Washington. The Southwest Division is also he attended Cornell University.